



SACHD Newsletter October 2018

Dear members,

Welcome to our latest Newsletter! It's been a busy 6 months since our last newsletter, so read on to find out what we have been up to...

Up and coming events and information

Halloween Event

This year's Halloween meet-up will take place on **Sunday 28th October from 2-4pm** in the X-ray room on the ground floor of the Glasgow Children's Hospital.

Please come along and catch up with friends and meet new families. We will of course have our usual crafts and fun activities. Fancy dress, though not essential, is most welcome!

Christmas stalls

On **Tuesday 13th November** we will be at the Glasgow Charities Christmas Fayre in the City Chambers, George Square, Glasgow. Please come and support us if you can!

Then on **Tuesday 28th November** and also on **Thursday 6th December** we will be spreading cheer at our Christmas Fayre in the Atrium of the Children's Hospital, where we will be selling lots of Christmas goodies. If you are an inpatient or at clinic please drop by to say hello, we'd love to see you!

Christmas Cards

Limited designs of SACHD Christmas cards are still available for purchase. Christmas cards and details of how order can be found on the website at: <http://www.youngheart.info/merchandise>

Christmas Party

Save the date, invitations for the Christmas party on **Sunday 2nd December** will be going out soon. Due to success of last year's venue, this year's party will take place again at Riverside Hall in Govan, Glasgow, with entertainment provided for the children and a buffet and a raffle. Further details will be confirmed in your invite.

SACHD CARAVAN

As we approach the end of the season for 2018 at the SACHD caravan, the caravan has been well occupied this year and we hope those who have stayed in the caravan enjoyed their time. We will update members when bookings will open for 2019.

Recent Activity over the summer months

Sporting Bears

SACHD were once again lucky to be chosen by Sporting Bears as one of the charities to send a family to enjoy a VIP trip to London which involved a chauffeured drive across London in a Rolls Royce convoy complete with police escort and a special tour of Buckingham Palace. Our family chosen from a draw was Nan Murdoch and son Ross, who both had a great time.

Teen Day Out

Committee Members Lesley Kinnear and Pauline Lorimer hosted a teen day out to Hollywood Bowling in September, this was well attended and the teens enjoyed a few of games of bowling followed by some lunch, watch this space for future Teen Events.

Newlands Fayre

Another successful stall at our annual visit to Newlands Fayre, raising £114.25 with thanks to our volunteers who attended the stall

AGM

The Scottish AGM was held in The Queens Hotel, Leonard Street, Perth. On Saturday 23rd June 2017 and was well attended. Our special guest, Dr Ruth McGowan gave a presentation on the success of the inherited arrhythmia clinic ran by herself and Dr Karen McLeod and funded for a 2 year period by SACHD.

Millport Family Fun Day & Sponsored Cycle

We had a wonderful turnout on Saturday the 2nd of June for our 27th annual sponsored cycle around the Isle of Cumbrae. Fun in the sun was had on bikes and on the beach with everyone relaxing with a picnic at the Tavern and some crazy golf afterwards.

Family Weekend

Our annual family residential weekend took place on 11-13th May. A mixture of new and return families spent the weekend boating, putting, cycling, swimming, getting to know each other and having fun.

FUNDRAISING

It has been a tremendous year for fundraising, this is just to name a few for this year, we would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to all of our fundraisers!

SACHD along with Glasgow Children's Hospital Charity funded artwork in the Gatewell corridor and Cardiology and the fabulous play equipment for the roof garden, comprising of a playhouse tower, slide and mud kitchen. These projects were funded by us through the fundraising efforts of Laura Shields, a grown up congenital heart who wanted to donate some money to spend on making a hospital visit a little less daunting and perhaps more fun. Well done to Laura and family!

The Glasgow Committee members, Pauline, Joelle, Caroline and Lesley took part in the Glasgow Kiltwalk in April. Raising £2,737 to purchase sensory equipment for Cardiology.

Many thanks to Laura Cumming who took part in the Vale of Leven 10K with the children and doing the fun run, together the family raised an incredible £866.25!

A heartfelt thank you to The Camping & Caravanning Club (Motor Caravan Section) for their very generous donation with a cheque for £1,000!

Thank you to Glasgow committee member, Pauline Lorimer who held a quiz night on Saturday in aid of the Association. Her fundraiser at the Masonic Hall, Nitshill raised £1,338!

Thanks to RBS Mortgage Centre (nominated by employee Mark McNeillis) for their fantastic donation of £3,028!

Many thanks to all who participated and donated to our first annual golf event held at the Heritage Golf course at Playsport, East Kilbride, raising a total of £2,500.

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